FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. S. 918, as Amended

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TO: The Honorable Leon Howard, Chairman, House Medical, Military, Public and Municipal

Affairs Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Central Fill Pharmacies

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

A Cost of Federal and/or Other Funds (see below)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 918, as amended, amends Chapter 43, Title 40 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Section 40-43-190 which authorizes central fill pharmacies and provides guidelines for their establishment and operation. This Bill requires central fill pharmacies to obtain a controlled substance registration from the Department of Health & Environmental Control and to comply with all state and federal controlled substance statutes and regulations. The Bill requires central fill pharmacies to complete a permit application provided by the Board of Pharmacy and to comply with all statutes and regulations. The amended version authorizes the State Board of Pharmacy to charge a fee set by regulation.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation

The Department reports that there would be no fiscal impact on the State General Fund resulting from this Bill. It is anticipated that the permit application fee would be set at a level sufficient to offset the cost of administering and enforcing this new regulatory program.

Department of Health & Environmental Control

The Department reports that there would be no fiscal impact on the State General Fund or on Federal and/or Other funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

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None.

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